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Box: Missing Parts
Art Unit: 1623

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/920,286; Filed: August 2, 2001
For: **Process for the Production of Multiple Cross-Linked
Hyaluronic Acid Derivatives**
Inventor: Xiaobin Zhao
Our Ref: 0623.1110001/JMC/MGP

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.
Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17) (*in duplicate*);
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (*in duplicate*);
3. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
4. An original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application;
5. A one (1) page abstract;
6. An original executed Power of Attorney from Assignee with Delegation;
7. A Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) from Assignee, executed by an officer of Vitrolife UK Limited, with a copy of the Assignment attached thereto;
8. One (1) return postcard; and
9. Our Check No. 33722 for \$1,296.00 to cover:
\$ 740.00 Filing Fee for Patent Application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);

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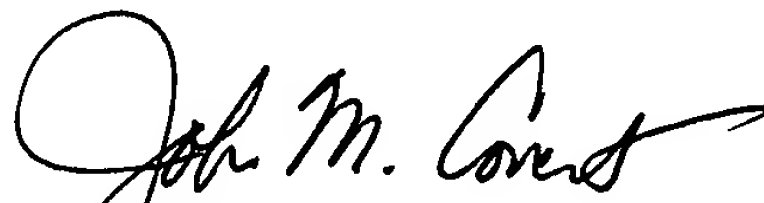
\$ 36.00 Extra claim fee (37 C.F.R. 1.16);
\$ 280.00 Multiple dependent claim surcharge (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);
\$ 130.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16); and
\$ 110.00 For Extension fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

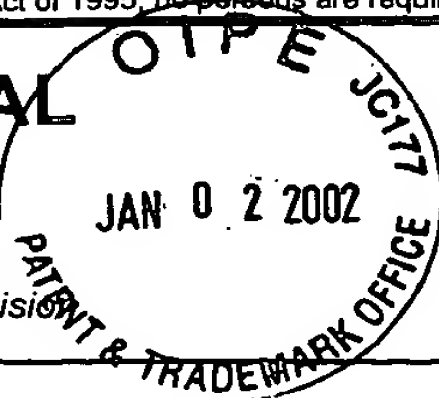


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Enclosures

**FEE TRANSMITTAL
for FY 2002**

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

**Complete if Known**

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| Application Number | 09/920,286 |
| Filing Date | August 2, 2001 |
| First Named Inventor | Xiaobin ZHAO |
| Examiner Name | To Be Assigned |
| Group Art Unit | 1623 |
| Attorney Docket No. | 0623.1110001/JMC/MGP |

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

(\$1,296.00)

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayment to:

Deposit Account Number

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- ☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:

- ☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☒ Other*

*Charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments in the fees or fee calculations of Parts 1, 2 and 3 below to Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

| Large Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------|
| 101 | 740 | 201 | 370 | Utility filing fee | 740.00 |
| 106 | 330 | 206 | 165 | Design filing fee | |
| 107 | 510 | 207 | 255 | Plant filing fee | |
| 108 | 740 | 208 | 370 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 114 | 160 | 214 | 80 | Provisional filing fee | |

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 740.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

| Extra | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Total Claims 22 - 20** = 2 | X 18.00 | = 36.00 |
| Indep. Claims 2 - 3** = 0 | X 0.00 | = 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent | 280.00 | = 280.00 |

| Large Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|---|
| 103 | 18 | 203 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 102 | 84 | 202 | 42 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 104 | 280 | 204 | 140 | Multiple dependent claim |
| 108 | 84 | 209 | 42 | **Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 110 | 18 | 210 | 9 | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 316.00

** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee paid |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|----------|
| 105 | 130 | 205 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | 130.00 |
| 127 | 50 | 227 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 139 | 130 | 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 147 | 2,520 | 147 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 112 | 920* | 112 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 113 | 1,840* | 113 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 115 | 110 | 215 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | 110.00 |
| 116 | 400 | 216 | 200 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 117 | 920 | 217 | 460 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 118 | 1,440 | 218 | 720 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 128 | 1,960 | 228 | 980 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 119 | 320 | 219 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 120 | 320 | 220 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 121 | 280 | 221 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 138 | 1,510 | 138 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 140 | 110 | 240 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 141 | 1,280 | 241 | 640 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 142 | 1,280 | 242 | 640 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 143 | 460 | 243 | 230 | Design issue fee | |
| 144 | 620 | 244 | 310 | Plant issue fee | |
| 122 | 130 | 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 123 | 130 | 123 | 130 | Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| 126 | 180 | 126 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 581 | 40 | 481 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 146 | 740 | 246 | 370 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 149 | 740 | 249 | 370 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 179 | 740 | 279 | 370 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 169 | 900 | 169 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |

Other fee (specify) :

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*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 240.00

SUBMITTED BY**Complete (if applicable)**

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January 2, 2002

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| APPLICATION NUMBER | FILING/RECEIPT DATE | FIRST NAMED APPLICANT | ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER |
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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$342.
 - \$72 for 4 total claims over 20.
 - \$270 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1182.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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| 02 FC:104 | 280.00 OP |
| 03 FC:105 | 130.00 OP |
| 04 FC:103 | 36.00 OP |

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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